

(Abstract)

5 A hydrophobic fumed silica treated with a cyclic  
dimethylsiloxane, the hydrophobic fumed silica having  
an M-value representing an oleophilic degree in a range  
of 48 to 65, a tapping bulk density of not smaller than  
80 g/L but not larger than 130 g/L, and an n-value  
representing the dispersion of 3.0 to 3.5 as measured  
in toluene. The hydrophobic fumed silica features a  
10 high bulk density while exhibiting a high hydrophobic  
property, the powder thereof capable of being favorably  
handled, being easily mixed in a matrix such as of a  
resin within short periods of time, and, further, being  
dispersed in the matrix to a high degree.

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